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In re Patent Application of:
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For: MODULAR MICRO-REACTOR
ARCHITECTURE AND METHOD FOR FLUID
PROCESSING DEVICES

Examiner: K. V. Handal

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In the Office Action mailed July 9, 2010, the Examiner has required election of one of the following species:

Species A: each module comprises at least two elongated reactor chambers
(claim 2 - Figure 2 - includes three reactor chambers);

Species B: each module comprises at least two elongated reactor chambers
formed in the interior of elongated tubular members (claim 5 - Figure 17 includes 6 reactor
chambers).

Applicants hereby provisionally elect Species A for continued examination, with
traverse. The Applicants respectfully submit that the distinction between the two species is unclear.
In particular, Species B appears to be a subspecies of Species A. Species B is described as "each
module comprise at least two elongated reactor chambers" (which reads on Species A -- i.e., Species